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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2006 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		Docket Number (Optional) SPINE 3.0-437 CPCPCPCPCPCPPIICPCON	
Application Number	10/783,152-Conf. #7040	Filed	February 20, 2004
For	PARALLEL DISTRACTOR AND RELATED METHODS FOR USE IN IMPLANTING AN ARTIFICIAL INTERVERTEBRAL DISC		
Art Unit	3738	Examiner	B. E. Pellegrino

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	Fee	Small Entity Fee	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$ 450.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$ _____

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 12-1095. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the applicant/inventor.
 assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
 attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 50,930

attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____

February 8, 2007

Date

Raymond Garguilo, Jr. _____
Typed or printed name _____
(908) 518-6342 _____
Telephone Number _____

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

Total of 1 forms are submitted.

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dated: February 8, 2007

Signature:

(Raymond Garguilo, Jr.)